New York State Department of Environmental Conservation 50 Wolf Road, Albany, New York 12233-7010



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John P. Cahill Commissioner

Ms. Joneen Matthews City Engineer 1 Kennedy Plaza Utica, NY 13502

RE: Bossert Site #633029

Dear Ms. Matthews:

Please refer to your January 10, 1998 letter to me requesting additional information regarding the Bossert Site.

Attached is a site plan from the Bossert RI/FS report prepared by O'Brien & Gere Engineers. Generally speaking, any future development of the site should avoid using areas where the current building exists, until such time that the USEPA removal project is complete and it is confirmed that there is no contamination of concern remaining in the building or in the soils under the building. Areas outside of the building footprint should also be tested to confirm that PCBs have not been spread beyond the building. This confirmatory testing can be done in the spring when the groundwater investigation is performed.

Once the USEPA completes their removal project, the City should be able to access the buildings for demolition and removal. Please contact Mr. Jack Harmon (315-734-1599) for information on the status of the EPA Phase 1 removal project.

Please note, my letter of December 30, 1997 did not constitute an approval for redevelopment or change in use of the site. Approval for a substantial change in use of the site must undergo a formal review by the state of the proposed change in use. See 6 NYCRR Part 375, Section 1.6 (copy attached) for the regulatory requirements regarding a change in use.

Please let me know if you would like to meet on this matter or if any further information is required.

Sincerely,

P. David Smith

Chief

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cc/W attach & 11/10/98 letter Jack Harmon - USEPA Darrell Sweredoski - Region 6 Michael McCabe - NYSDOH